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Application No.: 10/075,016

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Filed: February 13, 2002

For: INFORMATION PLAYBACK DEVICE,  
INFORMATION RECORDING DEVICE,  
INFORMATION PLAYBACK METHOD,  
INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD,  
AND INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM  
AND PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM USED  
THEREWITH

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated  
December 6, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-46, please amend  
the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: